

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

UNSAFE HEARING BOARD

MARCH 21, 2017

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Unsafe Hearing Board of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

PUBLIC HEARING: 301 East 2nd Street – Sean Roth said they have reviewed the cost to tear down the building vs repairing the building. They have come to the conclusion that they will take the building down. They will begin demolition approximately the 1st of June. Everything will be removed including the cement pad. They hope to have the project completed by late summer or mid fall. It will be a bare lot when finished. Newhouse will prepare an order for signature. Jarman moved to close the public hearing. Cameron seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES: Williams moved to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2017 meeting as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **301 East 2nd Street** – Williams made a motion for Newhouse to send an order to the owner and his attorney stating that the building must be removed according to the technical specs. Cameron seconded the motion. Williams amended his motion to add that if a city street closure is necessary it must be coordinated with Chief Jenkins. They must also begin demolition by June 1, 2017 and have the project completed by September 14, 2017. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **129-141 West 1st Street** – Chief Jenkins reported that the building has been shored up. Everything recommended by the engineer to make the building safe has been done. They are waiting on the funding to begin the remodeling project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cameron said Senate Bill #152 is before the legislature for cities and towns to address blighted areas. He said if this passes it will be another avenue to address these properties.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; McGowan moved to adjourn. Jarman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.